

## DRIFTING TO SEA IN SKIFF.

Vain Chase After Boatman Caught in Ice Floe.

### LOSES OARS IN EAST RIVER

Tugs to Rescue Unable to Reach Man Crying for Help.

A man in a boat without oars, drifting down stream with an ice floe, was seen by hundreds of persons along the East River shore at noon today.

The man was first noticed off Thirty-fourth street. He seemed to be middle-aged and thin. He was rowing along in the ice.

Suddenly the oars dropped from the man's hands and floated off. The man stood up in the boat and shouted. Men ran to the ends of the docks and some got in boats and put out, but they saw in a few minutes that there was no need trying to get at the man, as his boat was floating down the river with the ice floe more rapidly than they could row.

Off Twenty-sixth street the man shouted to the deckhands on the steamboat Fidelity, but the vessel did not put out. He also passed a Greenpoint ferry-boat, but it did not stop.

Several tugs put about after the man, but after a few minutes' work in the ice, which carried the boats along well, it was seen that the open boat with the man in it was going faster than they and the chase was given up.

From the foot of Twenty-sixth street the man was seen to drift down and toward the Brooklyn shore until he was lost to sight, nobody making an attempt to rescue him.

The boat was an ordinary skiff painted a dull color.

### FOUR DAYS IN ICE PACK.

Arctic Perils Encountered by Two Fishermen in the Lower Bay.

William and Charles Start, two fishermen, living in Canal street, Stapleton, N. Y., reached home last night after a thrilling experience of four days. They had been given up as dead by their friends and families.

Getting an order last Wednesday for 50 worth of codfish, the brothers set sail in their catboat for the fishing ground. A westerly gale was blowing, and their little boat labored hard.

When off Coney Island Point the boat sprang a leak. They tried to stop it, but could not. They took turn pumping and bailing, and, wearing around, tried to get to Bath Beach. But the water gained steadily, and it looked as if their boat would sink before they could make a landing.

At last they ran on the Middle Ground, a shoal in Gravesend Bay, and the boat came to a stop. Just before this a huge wave swept over the deck and flooded the cabin, carrying away their provisions.

Something got into the leak, and they were able to clear the boat of water. They plugged the leak up and were able to float off the shoal at high tide and anchor about one hundred yards from shore. They passed a miserable night in the little sea cabin. The fire had been put out, the kindlings were wet, and they had to do without heat. It was terribly cold.

In the morning they found their boat was frozen in, but the ice was not thick enough to walk on. They tried to cut their way out with oars and boat-hook, but made little progress.

The weather continued very cold and the ice kept growing thicker. They suffered from hunger and thirst. At last William said he would make an attempt to walk to shore on the slender ice.

"I came pretty near being my finish," he said today. "I took the oars and scattered my weight as much as possible, but I broke in, and it was all my brother could do to rescue me. I thought I should die of wet and cold when he got me back to the boat."

On Friday night the fishermen succeeded in getting ashore, where hot food and drink were put where they were much needed. It did not occur to them to send a message to their wives that they were safe. They went back to their boat and worked in the ice all day Saturday and Sunday.

At 5 o'clock last night they had got out of the little ice field and into clear water. It was 10 o'clock when they reached their homes in Stapleton.

To-day they were mending their boat preparatory to another try with the wind and water and ice.

## BOY STOPPED THIRD MURDER.

Collins Was About to Kill One Victim's Wife.

The police learned today that Lawrence Collins, the fourteen-year-old boy who yesterday night saw his father in the cabin of the canal boat, A. V. Vanhook, at the foot of East street, prevented a triple tragedy.

Collins, who was captain of the boat, after murdering Joseph Miller, started to kill his father and his wife, and it was only the boy's quick action that saved them.

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## HURLED BY SHOCK FROM "L" TO STREET

One Passenger Clutched Another as He Was Falling and Both Were Hurt.



Crowds of Reluctant "L" Passengers Saw Berner Hurled to the Street.

One man was almost electrocuted in sight of a thousand persons on the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad this morning and another received such a violent charge of electricity that his right arm was completely paralyzed.

A Myrtle avenue train, drawn by a motor car, had come to a sudden stop just south of the City Hall station on the way to the bridge. One of those accidents so numerous recently on the road, the burning out of a fuse, had caused the stoppage, and as train after train from Ridgewood, East New York and the various other sections came along they remained in a long motionless line while efforts were made to get the disabled motor car in motion.

Impatient at the delay and anxious to reach New York, the passengers climbed from the cars to the narrow plankway skirting the tracks. They walked cautiously along to the City Hall station, where they scrambled as best they could to the platform of the station.

To cross the tracks they were compelled to step over a deadly "third rail" fearfully charged with thousands of death-dealing volts of electricity. And there, too, were scores of trolley wires, many improperly insulated, whose bare copper rubbed dangerously against that magnificent conductor—the steel rails.

THOUSANDS IN DANGER.

Over this network, twenty feet above the ground, wherein lurked death to all caught in the trap, perhaps a thousand persons picked their way between 7:30 and 8 o'clock this morning innocent of the great danger beneath them.

For thirty minutes not a wheel turned on that part of the structure. Suddenly a locomotive came tearing along from the bridge, having been sent to the assistance of the disabled train. It was at this juncture that the warning cry was raised to the crowd on the board walk.

"Make for the station platform! Quick! Quick!"

A thousand voices roared in unison. There was a scramble of passengers and a hurried movement for the station platform. Frank Berner, nineteen years old, of 125 Bleecker street, was in the crowd. He had just reached the end of the station and, stepping across the tracks, attempted to climb to the platform.

STEPPED ON ELECTRIC RAIL.

His foot came in contact with the heavily charged third rail, and a mighty charge of electricity shot through his body. With an agonizing "Oh!" he dropped, his body almost rigid. There was an opening in the tracks at the spot and through this the body dropped. Fortunately Berner recovered consciousness, and his right hand grasped the wires hanging under the tracks.

He had been accompanied by his fifteen-year-old brother, Gus, who quickly answered the cry for help. He caught Frank's hand, but received a shock that made him instantly let go. The unfortunate brother held on a few seconds longer and then the wire gave way and he dropped to the street.

Policeman McKenna was standing in the doorway of the Adams street station, a hundred feet away. When he saw the body fall he ran over and as he attempted to pick up the prostrate form Berner, still clutching part of the broken wire in his hand, called out:

POLICEMAN IN DANGER.

"Look out! It's full of electricity!"

He was picked up and carried to the station-house, where an ambulance surgeon from the Brooklyn Hospital made an examination. He found the young man suffering severely from shock, and ordered his removal to the hospital.

The younger brother, Gus, had quite recovered from his shock and was able to go home.

WOMAN SAVES MAN FROM RIVER.

Insane from Grip He Jumped and She Threw Him a Rope.

Mrs. Ellen Wolf, wife of Capt. Charles W. Wolf, of coal barge No. 2, at Twenty-first street and the East River, rescued a man from drowning at 1 o'clock this morning.

Robert Dik, of 5 Commerce street, jumped into the river while delirious from grip. Mrs. Wolf heard the splash and threw a rope to the man. He grabbed it, but, although restored to his senses by contact with the cold water, was unable to do more than barely hold on to the rope.

Mrs. Wolf pulled with all her strength, but was no match for Dik's weight. Her screams attracted August Gustavson and George Eldridge, bargemen. They jumped in and held Dik up while James Maher and Policeman Buckley helped Mrs. Wolf drag him out of the water.

## BLACK DRESS GOODS.

Second Floor.

New and complete stock of black novelty fabrics. Extensive varieties of weave and design.

Crepes,—silk and wool,—fine to heavy weaves, plain or embroidered. Tuxedo Crepe,—Crepe "Mobile."

Satin Crepe de Chine,—single and double width. A highly lustrous soft fabric.

Grenadines,—light or medium weight,—fine to open mesh. "Brilliant," "Ribbon," "Sewing Silk" stripes and "Knicker" line weaves.

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JAMES MCGREERY & CO.

Broadway and 11th Street.  
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New Tailor Models. Excellent in design, cut and finish. Early Spring colors.

Cloth Suits,—tight-fitting or fly front Coats,—Skirts with latest tucked box-pleated backs. Lined with silk.

Colors:—blue, brown, light grey, castor and black.

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Camels' Hair Serge, Tweed or Oxford Cloth,—with fancy Eton Coats,—open, double breasted, or fly front.

Tucked or box-pleat back Skirts. Lined with Silk.

Colors:—Silver to dark iron grey,—brown, tan, blue and indigo.

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Twenty-third Street.

## AMERICAN CUT GLASS.

Basement Salesroom.

6,000 Tumblers,—heavy cut Strawberry, Diamond and Fan design,  
15 cents each;  
Formerly \$4.00 per dozen.

Heavy Cut Glass Fruit or Salad Bowls,—Scalloped, Indented Edges, Strawberry, Chrysanthemum, Diamond, Fan and Sunburst designs,—5 sided,—8 inches across. Deep or shallow.

\$3.75 and \$4.75 each;  
Value \$7.50 to \$12.00.

Celery Trays,—Silver Diamond, Chrysanthemum, Fan, and Heavy Line Cutting. Scalloped, Indented Edges. 12 inches long,  
\$2.75 each;  
Former price \$4.50.

Jelly or Nut Dishes,—Handsome Chrysanthemum, Ray and Star Cutting. Indented Scalloped Edges, 8 inches in diameter.  
\$3.75 each;  
Original price \$7.50.

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## SLEUTH TRIED FOR MURDER.

Doyle Pleads Self-Defense in Killing Young Carey.

Detective James Doyle, of Brooklyn, placed on trial for murder this morning, pleaded that he shot Martin Carey through the heart in self-defense.

The shooting was the end-up of a wedding celebration, and occurred early on the morning of April 13 last.

John Carey, who had boarded with Doyle and his wife and child, at 75 Herbert street, Williamsburg, was married at St. Cecilia's Church, and Doyle kept up the celebration that night after the wedding.

Shortly after midnight he turned up at the saloon of August Spohr, 48 Montrose avenue, in civilian clothing. He bought many drinks for Maggie Miller, who chanced to be in the back room, and Spohr and his wife joined them. After an hour, the saloon-keeper and his wife withdrew.

Martin Carey, a slouching, twenty-three years old, of 125 North Street,

street, Greenpoint, and Elmer McLarney, nineteen years old, of 78 Richardson street, were at the bar, and Conrad Kesselman, Henry Flots and August Miller, of 175 Montrose avenue, were playing cards at a table.

Doyle became boisterous, and at 2 o'clock, when Spohr declined to serve another drink to him and the young woman, and asked all hands to get out so he could close up, Doyle raised a disturbance.

Spohr says Doyle drew his revolver and ordered all to fall into marching order. Carey, at the head of the line, marched toward the back door, close Doyle.

A pistol shot rang out. Carey ran into the hall crying: "I am shot in the heart!" and fell dead.

Miller was just bobbing. A second shot entered his right hand. A third shot was also fired.

The entire crowd was taken up in trying to secure a jury. The case is on trial before Justice Ward. Assistant District-Attorney Littleton is prosecutor.

MRS. SMITH IS ALIVE.

All Fishkill Landing Heard She Was Dead and Made No Head of Trouble for the Widow.

If you want to make trouble for yourself go up to Fishkill Landing and ask Mrs. Georgina Smith, widow of a minister, if she is dead. For a week Mrs. Smith has been denying the report that she is her own ghost.

## STERN BROTHERS

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Extraordinary Values In

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Bells, Salve Boxes, Ring Stands, Card Holders, Puff Boxes, Tooth Powder Boxes, Bonnet Brooms, Shaving Brushes.

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Cigarette Jars, Bonnet Brushes, Ring Stands, Whisk Brooms, Ink Wells, Mucilage Bottles, Vinalgrettes, Cream Boxes.

To make room for new goods, will close out on third floor

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Average size 3 ft. 4 by 6 ft. 6, Value \$18.00 at \$10.75

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6 ft. 6 by 9 ft., \$9.25 7 ft. 6 by 10 ft. 6, \$14.25 9 ft. by 12 ft., \$18.75

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West Twenty-Third Street



Ehrich Bros.

6th Ave. and 23d St.

## Another Wrapper Sale.

Tuesday Until 11.30 A. M. Only.

LADIES' PERCALE WRAPPERS, in dark and light colorings, indigo blues, cardinals, black and white, blue and white, also dark grounds with fancy figures, and stripes, made shirred back, full skirt lined to waist, sizes 34 to 44. Only 2 to a customer. Worth 1.00, at, each..... 39c

18c. Ribbon at 12c.

ALL SILK TAFFETA RIBBON, 3 inches wide, in pink, blue, maize, cerise, turquoise, lilac and purple; good value at 18c. yd., here at, per yd., 12c

Tuesday Silk Offers.

CORDED WASH SILKS, all new goods, just received, very brilliant and latest designs, price only..... 38c

Stock taking is just completed, and we have made some very large reductions in prices of some goods that we wish to close out in order to make room for our new spring goods, which are arriving daily—namely:

39c. for Fancy Silks That Were 85c., including Stripes, Checks and Jacquard effects, all pure silk and good heavy quality; would cost to-day to duplicate 70c.; to close at..... 39c

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Fine French Flannels,—with embroidered polka dots.

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Usual price \$7.50 to \$12.00

Swiss made Point de Paris, Duchesse, Renaissance and Irish Point Lace Curtains, per pair,

\$3.00, \$5.00 and \$6.50;  
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Mequettes, Brocades, Brocettes, Satin Damas, "Frou Frou," Embossed Velours, Silk and Cotton Tapestries, and a variety of Cotton Fabrics in Verdure and Heraldic designs,—suitable for hangings or wall and furniture coverings, per yard,

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Prices according to size. D'Oyleys from 25 cents per dozen.

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Linen, Bureau and Slide-board Scarfs, hemstitched and decorated with drawn work.

Attractive stamped designs, 95 cents to \$1.65.

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Men's 28 inch.

Women's 26 inch.

Made of Union Taffetas silk,—a fine durable fabric, with tape edge. Paragon lock steel frame,—bamboo covered, steel rod.

Handles of selected English furze and box woods.

These umbrellas are recommended for their strength and general serviceable qualities.

\$1.75 each;  
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Real Kid, with Fasten,—4 and 5 hook,—lacing.

All the fashionable—street shades.

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